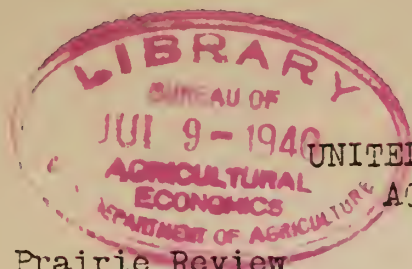


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KANSAS CITY PRAIRIE PRICES DROP TO NEW CROP BASIS.

Kansas City Market

Prairie hay prices declined about 50 cents to a new crop basis at Kansas City during the week ending July 1, according to the Agricultural Marketing Service. One load of exceptionally fancy new crop upland, received late in the week, brought \$8.50 per ton, going to a local feeding interest, and quotations were adjusted accordingly. One load of distinctly poor quality prairie, received a week ago, sold at \$3.50 per ton. Although new crop hay was being harvested in increasing volume in eastern Kansas and northeastern Oklahoma, Kansas City feedyards have not yet opened their seasonal buying operations, and demand from other carlot buyers remained light. June arrivals of prairie at Kansas City totaled 10 cars, compared with 11 in May and 6 in June a year ago. Considerable prairie arrived in the Kansas City district by truck, but no accurate check of such movement was available.

Interior Producing Point Markets

Movement of prairie from southeastern Kansas producing areas increased materially during the week, approximately 30 truckloads being hauled from the Iola district to the vicinities of Lawrence, Kansas City and Wichita. Truckers reported a good demand for No. 2 new crop prairie from Kansas City retailers on the basis of \$8 to \$10 per ton, delivered. Many prairie hay producers were said to be seeking outlets for a portion of their crop direct from the field. No carlot shipping demand has developed as yet.

Missouri pastures and ranges are reported in good condition. The wild hay crop in northeastern Oklahoma is ready to harvest, but is reported to be weedy. Frequent rains have damaged some wild hay already cut. Pastures in northwestern Kansas were becoming very dry prior to local rains July 1. In other parts of the state, grass made good growth and supplied plenty of feed for livestock. In the Bluestem area, all ponds have sufficient water to carry livestock through the grazing season. In Colorado, range and pasture feed is generally sufficient in all sections of the state, but large areas need rain badly.

Current quotations at Kansas City, basis U. S. Standards, are as follows:

UPLAND PRAIRIE  
(Per ton)

No. 1 \$8.00-8.50

No. 3 \$5.50-7.00

No. 2 7.50-8.00

Sample 4.00-5.50

